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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

THE TREASURER,

—AND OTHER—

TOWN OFFICERS,

—OF—

DORCHESTER, N. H.

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1885.

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Treasurer's Report.

Received of Selectmen of 1884,			$2820 79
Ira B. Norris,	Collector	1876,	11 38
J. W. Burley,	"	1877,	27 48
Henry Morrill,	"	1880,	15 67
Henry Morrill,	"	1881,	11 68
Henry Morrill,	"	1882,	45 23
Milton Y. Leavitt,	"	1883,	1130 58
John M. Fitts,	"	1884,	2615 10
Ira B. Norris,	"	1879,	17 81
Treasurer of 1883,			422 51
			$7118 23

Disbursements.

Paid School Money,	$528 07
State and County Tax,	553 49
On notes,	3471 90
Miscellaneous bills,	593 53
Highways and bridges,	458 92
Town officers,	283 11
Bounties,	48 30
School house tax,	33 25
Sheep killed by dogs,	6 50
Damage on highway,	16 25
Abatements,	137 50
Paupers,	447 93
In hands of Treasurer,	539 48
	$7118 23

School Money.

Geo. F. Dolloff,	$94 45
John A. Norris,	48 67
B. N. Pollard,	49 79
Geo. Follansbee,	55 58
F. B. Smart,	47 62
J. A. Whicher,	38 43
I. M. Burnham,	54 11
James Lamott,	61 90
Henry Wilkinson,	43 43
Samuel A. Leavitt,	34 09
	$528 07

Paid on Notes.

Paid Murray E. Blodgett,	$215 53
Roxann W. Leavitt,	60 00
C. L. Follansbee,	107 00
Marie A. Hodge,	15 00
B. J. Morrill,	50 00
Nathan B. Kinsley,	1954 60
Laura A. Kidder,	50 00
Luther Kidder,	75 00
Herman J. Ellinwood,	50 00
B. J. Morrill,	30 00
Hattie B. Ellinwood,	10 00
Ardena Whicher,	355 38
Harrison Stevens,	167 16
Sarah W. Morrill,	332 23
	$3471 90
Paid State Tax,	$276 00
County Tax,	277 49
	$553 49

Miscellaneous.

Paid C. O. Barney, stationery,	$ 2 30

John Quimby, Jr., labor on town house chimney,	3 00
C. S. Jones, stove pipe,	98
James J. Crosby, surveying town line,	3 00
John A. Norris, care of town house,	3 00
C. O. Barney, books,	3 67
O. L. Corliss, return of births and deaths,	1 25
Milton Y. Leavitt, on land sales,	144 99
Chas. F. Kingsbury, return of birth,	25
E. M. Tucker, " "	50
G. E. Leet, " "	75
S. W. Hill, use of water trough, 1883,	2 00
S. W. Clement, " " "	2 00
S. W. Clement, deposition,	1 25
John M. Fitts, resident land sale,	266 60
John M. Fitts, non-resident land-sale,	102 23
C. O. Barney, printing reports and orders,	17 50
Byron Richardson, school-books furnished destitute children, 1883-4,	2 69
Joseph W. Burley, services land agent 1878-9,	4 19
Ira B. Norris, time and expense to Concord to settle State tax,	6 00
Ira B. Norris, two days repairing town-house,	2 50
Ira B. Norris, service as land agent, and expense of deeds,	6 00
Roxann W. Leavitt, on tax claim of J. Merrill farm,	15 71
Franklin Blodgett, for lime,	1 17
	$593 53

Highways and Bridges.

Paid S. W. Clement,	2 30
E. R. Hopkins,	96
S. F. Reed,	4 80
Cyrus Bushway,	4 80
F. Y. Burnham,	8 60
A. E. Wallace,	5 50
F. L. Clement,	70

P. R. Follansbee,	4 69
Jewell Jesseman,	2 50
Louis Jutress,	2 00
Scott D. Burley,	2 70
Zachary Taylor,	4 25
T. J. Estes,	2 00
C. B. Powers,	1 80
Samuel Stevens,	1 10
Byron Richardson,	1 25
G. D. Sanborn,	2 00
J. E. Reed,	2 35
A. Leavitt,	14 60
M. Y. Leavitt,	3 85
G. P. Sanborn,	8 40
P. R. Follansbee,	10 85
J. M. King,	5 22
Chas Decato,	3 25
G. F. Dolloff,	10 00
J. W. Wallace,	10 70
W. J. Sargent,	7 00
Chas. A. Black,	6 70
O. W. Learned,	1 70
S. H. Whicher,	1 90
D. S. & T. E. Clough,	13 70
William Buck,	3 40
J. Rowen,	4 30
J. K. Dow,	1 40
John McGrath,	3 97
J. Whicher,	2 20
F. B. Smart,	8 30
E. Colburn,	4 90
E. H. Colburn,	5 60
W. C. Youngman,	6 10
H. T. Reed,	3 00
S. F. Reed,	3 10
J. T. Reed,	11 10
S. H. Whicher,	60
F. B. Smart,	3 00

Joseph Reed,	5 10
John Quimby,	1 15
Hiram Reed,	12 20
Adolph Merrill,	7 18
E. E. Clement,	1 40
J. A. Jessaman,	5 40
E. H. Colburn,	1 20
G. W. Sturtevant,	11 90
E. R. Hopkins,	10 10
Joseph Melanson,	4 20
C. A. Black,	5 20
F. B. Smart,	2 50
W. J. Sargent,	5 70
John Quimby, Jr.,	60
Samuel A. Leavitt,	5 20
John A. Norris, plank and labor,	49 64
James Lamott,	5 90
Henry Merrill,	2 25
Osgood Dale,	20 40
James LaMott, plank,	19 18
Frank Martin,	1 20
Joseph Reed,	2 50
Albert Leavitt,	20 25
H. Reed,	3 25
L. P. Fellows,	1 25
John A. Norris,	14 20
H. H. Woodward,	1 25
D. S. & T. E, Clough,	5 16
S. E. Wright,	2 50
Henry Morrill,	4 47
S. D. Clough,	5 00
Ira B. Norris,	1 00
Milton Y. Leavitt,	80
Hiram Reed,	4 60
John A. Norris, plank,	1 35
Nathan Clough,	60
	$458 92

Services of Town Officers.

Paid Ira B. Norris, Selectman,	48 00
Byron Richardson, "	29 25
John A. Norris, "	26 25
Stillman Merrill, Treasurer, and time and expense to Plymouth,	19 50
Henry H. Woodward, clerk,	15 00
Byron Richardson, S. S. Committee,	22 75
Ira B. Norris, Overseer of Poor,	18 50
Henry Morrill and Joel E. Reed, auditors,	3 00
N. K. Burnham, supervisor,	11 50
Geo. F. Colburn, "	4 50
Walter E. King, "	2 50
Joseph W. Burley, bal. services Col. 1877,	5 46
John A. Norris, Overseer of Poor,	3 00
Milton Y. Leavitt, part pay services Col. 1883,	23 90
John M. Fitts, " " " 1884,	50 00
	$283 11

School House Tax.

Paid J. W. Wallace and P. R. Follansbee Dist. No. 4,	$33 25

Bounties.

Paid Henry E. Sturtevant,	$ 20
Jacob Rowen,	20
Byron Richardson,	12 50
Ira B. Norris,	35 40
	$48 30

Town Pauper Bills.

Paid Sarah Stevens, support Rhoda Jepperson,	$65 00	
John F. Fitts, goods for " "	3 53	
Byron Richardson, morphine " "	6 00	
" " " " "	6 78	
Ellen Buck, " " "	3 24	
		$84 55

George F. Colburn, support G. C. Colbnrn,	15 00	
" " " " "	7 50	
		22 50
		$107 05

County.

Paid Relief Noyes, support of H. P. Noyes,	$16 00	
A. L. Noyes, " " " and wife,	32 44	
Relief Noyes, " " "	15 00	
" " " " "	29 00	
Geo. F. Colburn, support of G. C. Colburn,	19 50	
" " " " "	15 00	
" " " " "	6 00	
" " " " "	10 00	
Ellen Buck, support Mary Powers,	30 86	
Wm. Buck, digging grave for Mary Powers,	2 00	
Thos. Sanborn, coffin " "	14 00	
D. M. Leavitt, funeral services " "	3 00	
O. L. Corliss, medical attendance "	2 00	
John B. Coburn, bed-pan, " "	1 50	
Jesse T. Reed, wood for J. W. Brooks,	6 00	
John M. Fitts, goods " "	11 00	
C. B. Simpson, " " "	3 00	
John M. Fitts, " " "	3 00	
Geo. Leet, med. attendance P. Glode family	6 00	
James Lamott, support of N. Gay,	54 14	
C. F. Kingsbury, medical atten. N. Gay,	46 50	
Jas. LaMott, support of " "	9 44	
" " " " "	5 00	
		$340 88
		$447 93

Sheep Killed by Dogs.

Paid Isaac M. Burnham,	3 00
Silas E. Wright,	1 50

Chas. Decato,	2 00	
		$6 50

Damage.

John A. Jones, on highway,	$5 00	
Joel E. Reed,	1 25	
Vernon E. Atwood,	7 00	
Joseph Reed,	3 00	
		$16 25

Abatements.

Paid Henry Morrill, Collector, 1880,		
On tax	Edgar O. Smith,	$1 93
	Jane Sturtevant,	39
	Adolph Bilavoe,	20
	Jane Sturtevant, 1881,	32
	J. W. Johnson, 1882,	4 75
	H. C. Clark,	6 08
	C. C. Clark,	7 98
	H. H. Bailey,	2 85
	P. B. Powers,	1 90
	Benj. A. King,	2 90
	Jane Sturtevant,	2 40
	John W. Brooks,	5 05
	Myrtie Columbia,	1 90
	Joseph Crosley,	7 52
	Joseph Gear,	1 90
	Chas. Decato, overtax 1884,	2 00
	M. Y. Leavitt, Collector 1883.	
	E. P. Stores,	5 00
	A. F. Bickford,	17 35
	Ira B. Norris.	
	Olive H. Powers, 1881,	4 39
	Olive H. Powers, 1882,	4 53
	Olive H. Powers, 1883,	4 80
	Jane Sturtevant, 1883,	6 76
	John Decato, paid in Canaan 1879,	2 00

Milton Y. Leavitt, Collector 1883.	
S. W. Hill, on dog,	1 00
Ira C. Chadwick, paid in Franklin,	3 70
Parker B. Powers,	1 85
Mary W. Rowen,	93
J. W. Burley, Collector 1877.	
Lucian A. Follansbee,	10 87
Milton Y. Leavitt, Collector 1883.	
Thomas Murphy, highway tax worked,	2 00
John Quimby, on dog,	1 00
John M. Fitts, Collector 1884.	
H. C. Norris, on dog,	1 00
Milton Y. Leavitt, on dog,	1 00
Joel E. Reed, paid in Plymouth,	6 44
Joseph B. Crosley,	5 66
Henry Gorman, heirs of, highway tax worked,	3 19
Chas. A. Black,	1 98
T. Stephen Carter,	1 98
	$137 50

Respectfully Submitted,

STILLMAN MERRILL, *Town Treasurer.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen charge themselves as follows:

Received of	Ira B. Norris, on land sale note,	$34 96
	County of Grafton,	235 49
	Ira B. Norris, on land sale note,	103 38
	J. W. Burley, " " "	9 65
	" " deed of land,	34 64
	Geo. C. Jesseman, on land sale note,	3 25
	Ira B. Norris, " " "	31 53
	John A. Norris, " " "	36 60
	Ira B. Norris, deed of land on land sale note,	47 87
	John A. Norris, " " " " "	24 32
Borrowed of	H. J. Ellinwood,	30 00
	N. B. Kinsley, renewed note,	1454 60
	H. J. Ellinwood,	75 00
	C. L. Follansbee, renewed note,	107 00
	Mary B. Martin,	15 00
	Sarah W. Morrill, renewed note,	332 23
	Hattie B. Ellinwood,	47 00
Received of	County of Grafton,	97 44
	State Savings Bank tax,	76 72
	Literary Fund,	75 04
	Bounty,	50 40
	Henry Morrill, interest on tax of 1880,	5 50
		$2927 62

Cash Paid Town Treasurer.

May 1st, 1884, paid Stillman Merrill,	$34 96
May 14, " " "	235 49
June 21, " "	33 75
Nov. 17, " "	1616 93
Dec. 10, " "	319 11
Dec. 31, " "	60 00
Feb. 28, " "	520 55
	$2820 79
In hands of Selectmen, land covered by deeds,	106 83
	$2927 62

Due the Town March 1st, 1885.

From C. O. Barnes,	$242 27
Lands covered by deeds,	918 41
State on bounties,	80
County of Grafton,	47 44
Arthur Woodward,	11 77
G. C. Jesseman, on land sale notes,	29 16
Ira B. Norris, " " "	502 17
Claim on Lem Colburn place,	250 00
Ira B. Norris, Collector, 1876,	15 20
J. M. Fitts, " 1878,	7 28
Ira B. Norris, " 1879,	21 68
Henry Morrill, " 1880,	14 65
" " " 1881,	23 84
" " " 1882,	19 32
M. Y. Leavitt, " 1883,	102 20
J. M. Fitts, " 1884,	189 93
George W. Reed, on note,	36 04
In hands of Treasurer,	539 48
	$2990 59

Notes against the town,	$20,548 39
Due the town,	2990 50
Total debt above available means,	$17,557 80

Respectfully Submitted,

IRA B. NORRIS,
BYRON RICHARDSON,
JOHN A. NORRIS,
Selectmen of Dorchester.

The undersigned, having examined the accounts of the town treasurer and selectmen, for the year ending March 1st, 1885, find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

PERLEY R. FOLLANSBEE,
HIRAM REED,
Auditors.

SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO 1.

Spring and Fall terms taught by Minnie L. Brown, of Plymouth, a teacher of good ability and experience. The Summer term was a successful one, and pupils made good improvement. The Fall term was not so profitable, owing to an observable lack of order and discipline in the school. Some of the scholars however, made a good showing at the close of the term, especially in reading and grammar.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Spring term taught by Abbie Reed, who preserved good order and the pupils made good progress. Fall term taught by myself. I found the school well disposed and easy to manage, and a pleasant, and we hope a profitable term was the result.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Both Spring and Fall terms taught by Elma C. Foster, of Wentworth. It is generally supposed that the District is well satisfied with a teacher when she is kept for two or more successive terms, as was the case in this District. Miss Foster is one of our best teachers, and the school, though small, is one of the best and most advanced in town.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

The Spring term taught by Lucie E. Reed. This is quite a large school for our town, compared of smart, and for the larger part remarkably lively scholars. Although many of the pupils made fair progress, a little stricter discipline and better order would have made a better showing at the close of the term.

Fall term taught by Hattie N. Sheldon, who although an inexperienced teacher, seemed qualified for the position and labored faithfully to make the school a success. During my visits I was much pleased with the order maintained, and the improvement shown at

the close of the term, and think the District generally satisfied with her efforts here.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

The one term in this district was taught by Jennie S. Clark, of Canaan. Miss Clark has taught a number of schools in this town, and has given good satisfaction, and this term was no exception to her usual success.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Fall and only term taught by Lucie E. Reed, who has taught in this district previously. The pupils especially the younger portion, showed good progress at the close of the term.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

The one term of this school was taught by Amy E. Wells of Wentworth. Tnis is a small and rather backward school, but the teacher labored faithfully and was much liked by the pupils, and good progress was made.

DISTRICT NOS. 8 and 10.

Taught by Anna C. Sloane of Canaan. No. 8 had two terms of six weeks each. The pupils in this school are young, but seemed studious and made good improvement. No. 10 had only one term of nine weeks, and as the scholars did not attend regularly enough to make it profitable to themselves or pleasant for the teacher, the progress made was not what I had wished.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Fall and only term taught by J. Bartlett Foster of Wentworth. Mr. Foster is a live teacher with good ability, and worked earnestly for the good of the school, and we think the district has no cause to find fault with his management.

The result of the past school year has been with one or two exceptions more satisfactory than for the two years previous. We have had more school money, consequently longer terms. More of our former and experienced teachers, and a greater interest in the cause of education. If the town see fit to raise an additional amount for the coming year, I would suggest that it be divided in a different manner from what it was in the past, thereby benefiting EACH scholar more equally,

Respectfully submitted,

BYRON RICHARDSON, *S. S. Committee.*